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Chairman Lauren “Bubba” McDonald
Vice-chairman Tim Echols
Commissioner Chuck Eaton
Commissioner H. Doug Everett
Commissioner Tricia Pridemore

Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street, SW
Atlanta GA, 30334-9052

**RE: Support for robust commercial and industrial renewable energy offering in Georgia
Power 2019 Integrated Resource Plan**

Dear Chairman McDonald, Vice-Chairman Echols, and Commissioners Eaton, Everett, and Pridemore:

Our companies and organizations appreciate the opportunity to provide input to the Commission prior to your consideration of the forthcoming Georgia Power Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). **We share a common interest in expanding our use of renewable energy in Georgia, and we write today to ask the Commission to consider our business needs as part of the IRP process by approving a robust second tranche of the Commercial and Industrial Renewable Energy Development Initiative (C&I REDI) program.**

We commend the Commission and Georgia Power for introducing the first tranche of the C&I REDI program in 2016, resulting in 177 MW of new solar energy. The program provided an opportunity for four initial customers to purchase renewable energy from competitively-sourced projects through medium- to long-term contracts. The initial tranche was so successful that the 177 MW capacity was fully subscribed.

Our companies and organizations support a second tranche of the program to enable procurement of renewable energy in Georgia through new, competitively-procured in-state resources. Given our interest in the program, and the speed with which customers filled the first tranche, we have no doubt that a robust second tranche will also be fully utilized.

Many of our organizations are tracking toward ambitious publicly-announced renewable energy targets, in some cases seeking to source 100% of our electricity from renewable energy. **A second tranche of the program allowing for procurement of cost-effective renewable energy in Georgia would allow our entities and others to make progress on our renewable energy targets.** We appreciate your consideration of our perspective as you review Georgia Power's 2019 IRP and welcome any follow-up questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Nordstrom
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